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DEPUTIES* MEETING

Friday, 16 July 1954

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, Mr. Wisner, Mr. Amory, Col. White,
Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Helms, [redacted] Sheldon,

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Mr. Dulles:

a. Noted he was seeing Deputy Secretary of Defense Anderson on 19 July and one item of discussion would be the Defector Problem. The Director said he had been briefed by

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b. Referred to the Resistance Paper discussed at the IAC meeting on 13 July and in particular the paragraph therein dealing with intelligence and asked DD/P to review this paper and furnish him comments in sufficient time for study since the paper will again be considered at the IAC meeting scheduled for 20 July.

c. Briefly reported on his conversation with Adm. Radford on 13 July 1954 respecting [redacted] and stated he (DCI) had agreed to pass intelligence on this subject to General Erskine. The Director said this would include all information received and any contact which we might have with [redacted] in connection with this operation. Note: A memorandum of the above conversation was prepared by the Director 13 July, copies of which have been furnished DD/P, CDP, and [redacted]

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d. Referred to a cable from the Senior Representative [] containing a request that the "documentation task force" return to headquarters for consultation and noted his approval. The Director said they should be advised to bring selected key documents with them that we might use now rather than wait until the hue and cry has died and world attention is focussed on other areas.

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Mr. Wisner:

a. Reported on his meeting with the TIME LIFE and FORTUNE people in New York yesterday and noted he was preparing a memorandum for the record. The Director asked DD/P to prepare a separate memorandum regarding General LeMay's statement to a representative of this corporation that the lack of intelligence on the Soviet Strategic Air Force bordered on a national scandal. Mr. Wisner said that during this meeting it was also brought out that we might soon expect a blast at NSA since some of the people present were knowledgeable of that Agency's activities. After some further discussion the Director asked DD/P to forward his memorandum regarding the alleged LeMay statement to Mr. Sheldon in order that he might comment thereon to include any comments regarding NSA. Note: This combined memorandum should be prepared in such form in order that the Director can leave it with Secretary Anderson when he sees him on 19 July.

Mr. Amory:

a. Reported we could release [] for a year's temporary duty with Maj. Gen. John S. Bragdon, the Coordinator of Public Works. The Director pointed out that the job Gen. Bragdon wanted [] for was not connected with intelligence and therefore he did not feel he could approve his release, or for that matter the release of any other CIA employee to perform duties not concerned with the intelligence effort while they remain on our payroll. Col. White noted we might possibly work this matter out by discussing it with the Bureau of the Budget. The Director authorized DD/A to explore this problem with Budget and see what could be done.

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Mr. Kirkpatrick:

a. Reported that the Jenner Committee would welcome a presentation by the Director. Mr. Dulles noted that he had made it a policy not to appear before Congressional Committees and make substantive talks unless required in defending our

budget. The Director then raised the question of [] appearing before this Committee on Communist penetration in Mexico and their use of "wetbacks" and stated he believed our best purposes would be served by [] preparing his presentation in writing and actually reading it to the Committee.

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b. Strongly recommended that the Director call on Chairman Vinson before the end of the present session of Congress. The Director indicated he would do this and at the same time see Dewey Short.

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